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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a one month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed December 2, 1996, which sets a response date of March 2, 1997. The one month extension extends the date of response to April 2, 1997. A check for \$110.00 is enclosed for the fee for a one month extension of time.

Accompanying this Petition is (1) an Amendment; and (2) an Amendment Transmittal Form in duplicate.

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If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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